

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/529,089

Examiner

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address--

All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Application filed 03/24/2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-4, 7-15, 18-26, 29-37, 40-48, 51-59, 62-70 and 73-77.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☒ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* Certified copies not received: _____.

Applicant has THREE MONTHS FROM THE "MAILING DATE" of this communication to file a reply complying with the requirements noted below. Failure to timely comply will result in ABANDONMENT of this application.
THIS THREE-MONTH PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE.

4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| 1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 5. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
| 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) | 6. <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____. |
| 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____ | 7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Amendment/Comment |
| 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material | 8. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance |
| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____. |

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with Leon Jew on 6/16/2006.

The application has been amended as follows:

In claim 1, line 12: Replace "message." with "message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 5 and 6

In claim 12, line 12: Replace "message." with "message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 16 and 17

In claim 23, line 10: Replace "message." with "message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 27 and 28

In claim 34, line 14: Replace “message.” with “message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 38 and 39

In claim 45, line 14: Replace “message.” with “message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 49 and 50

In claim 56, line 11: Replace “message.” with “message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 60 and 61

In claim 67, line 14: Replace “message.” with “message, wherein each visual cue comprises a tail that points at or connects to the matching object, and wherein said annotation message comprises said standardized entry in the first language and said query in the second language.

Cancel claims 71 and 72

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The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The closest prior art appears to be Chin et al., which standardizes a query to be translated into another language. Chin however translates the whole result document into the original language as opposed to the claimed invention which specifically displays a tail annotation with the original query and translation in the context of the actual results. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

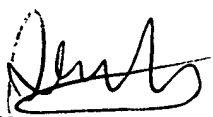
2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Adam M. Queler whose telephone number is (571) 272-4140. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Steven Hong can be reached on (571) 272-4124. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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